

MISS MAUD WETMORE
COMMENDS WORKService League Makes Report
Before National Leader at
Mass Meeting.

"I am absolutely astounded at what you have done," said Miss Maud Wetmore, national president of the National League for Women's Service, this morning at the mass meeting for women, after having listened to reports for nearly one hour and a half.

"It isn't the first time I have been in Chattanooga," she said, "nor the first time I have been inspired with the eagerness with which the women took hold of things, and today have heard how splendidly they have carried out their purpose to accomplish that which had been placed before them."

She then referred to the readiness of the league in responding to the government's requests in all lines of work where women can lend assistance.

She was followed by Mrs. Van Rensselaer and Mrs. Jesse W. Overton, each making a splendid talk.

Mrs. D. P. Montague, president of the service league, presided on the platform, and with her were the speakers and the secretary, Mrs. E. Y. Chapin.

The meeting opened with community chorus songs, led by J. O. Carter.

A prayer written by Bishop Gallor was offered by Mrs. Charles R. Hyde.

Reports were made by Mrs. P. A. Brawner, chairman of education committee; Mrs. Hewitt Wood, on convalescent committee; Miss Zella Armstrong, for the entertainment committee; Mrs. E. Fenton Moore, chairman on knitting; Miss Marie Macpherson, on Christmas boxes for the boys overseas; Mrs. Joe Brown, canteen committee; Mrs. J. A. Patten, comfort committee; Mrs. H. O. Ewing, on the day nursery; Mrs. D. F. Beckham, visiting committee; Mrs. H. Hyde, on attending funeral of soldiers; Mrs. Morris Temple, reported 1,110 entertainments given at the post; Mrs. The King, on motor driving; Mrs. W. H. Cooper, chairman of the allied relief work and Highland avenue committee; Mrs. P. J. Kruesi, chairman of agriculture; Mrs. J. B. Lauderbach, for home economics.

Mrs. D. W. Lamon, of Tyner, represented the county women, and brought down a storm of applause, drawing attention to the United States flag hanging at her side, she said: "We country women are working so that flag shall float over Berlin."

A beautiful feature of the morning program was the singing of "Johnnie Roe" by Mrs. W. H. Pryor, Mrs. Singleton reported for the colored service league.

A luncheon was served to 225 women in the basement of the church.

The speakers' table was arranged on a large platform, with seats for twenty. In the center of it was a large glass bowl filled with large white roses, and at each end was a brass basket holding pink and white roses.

Among those at this table were: Mrs. D. P. Montague, Mrs. Coffin Van Rensselaer, Mrs. J. W. Overton, Mrs. Lorraine Clark, Mrs. Mary Giles Howard, Mrs. P. J. Kruesi, Mrs. Earl Cook, Mrs. F. L. Underwood, Miss Marie Macpherson, Miss Zella Armstrong, Mrs. J. B. Lauderbach and Mrs. P. A. Brawner.

The county women were guests of honor. Among them were: Mrs. John Bacon, North Chattanooga; Mrs. J. T. Bell, Soddy; Miss Bertha Dill, Soddy; Mrs. Thomas Newberry, Soddy; Mrs. D. W. Lamon, Tyner; Mrs. John List, Daisy; and Mrs. Ann Hallet, Soddy.

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JOHN TINKER NOMINATED FOR
SHERIFF BY REPUBLICAN PARTYCounty Convention Names Candidates for Part of County Offices.
Endorses Democratic Judicial Nominees—Offices of Attorney-General and County Court Clerk Left Open.

REPUBLICAN TICKET.

For County Judge—Sam Conner.
For Sheriff—John Tinker.
For Register—Willard J. Springfield.
For Circuit Court Clerk—Ansell Gadd.

Harmony and good humor characterized the rank and file of the republican party of Hamilton county at noon Saturday, when a large representation of the party assembled in the auditorium of the courthouse to nominate a county ticket to be voted for at the coming August election.

John Tinker, chairman of the county executive committee, called the meeting to order and explained the purpose of the convention.

Judge P. H. Thatch was elected chairman without opposition and then a committee composed of one representative from each ward and district in the county was chosen on resolutions and procedure with Foster V. Brown as chairman.

This committee retired, and after deliberation, returned with a set of resolutions which were read.

The first resolution was a tribute in respect to the memory of O. G. Stone, whose death was recorded a few days ago.

The committee recommended that no candidates be nominated for the offices of chancellor, circuit judge, criminal judge, trustee and criminal court clerk, and endorsed the candidates of Chancellor W. B. Garvin, Oscar Yarnell, Judge S. D. McReynolds, Joe Clift and Tom Selman, the democratic nominees, for these respective offices.

The report, however, recommended that candidates for sheriff, circuit court and county court clerk and register be nominated.

It was further recommended that the office of attorney-general be left open and the matter of nominating a candidate to oppose G. W. Chamblie, the democratic nominee, be referred to the executive committee with power to act. That is this committee is authorized to name a candidate if it thinks advisable.

Maj. Charles R. Evans spoke in opposition to the resolution, especially that clause which proposed to endorse the democratic nominees for the judicial positions.

He was frequently interrupted with cries of "let down," but he finished his speech and moved that this clause be stricken out. This motion was voted down. The resolutions were then adopted and the convention proceeded to the nomination of candidates for the various offices.

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Bartow Strang nominated Sam Conner for county court judge, and he was unanimously selected.

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nation being seconded by R. T. Wright.

Harry McFarland placed the name of John Tinker before the convention as the candidate for sheriff. This was seconded by both Dave Barker and Andy Ware, pronounced candidates for the nomination, and the motion was unanimously carried and John Tinker declared the nominee for sheriff.

Willard Springfield was nominated for register, and Ansell Gadd for circuit court clerk.

Nominations for county court clerk were called for, and no names being suggested, the question of naming a candidate for this office was referred to the executive committee with the same power to act in the premises as was given in regard to the office of attorney-general.

The roll was then called for the appointment of the executive committee, after which the convention adjourned, and the convention to name candidates for magistrate was called to order.

The three conventions to name candidates for magistrates met immediately after the county convention and selected the candidates as follows:

First District—H. B. Calkins, Fred Dearing and John Twinn.

The second district nominated C. Z. Taylor, Horace Humphreys for magistrates, and Wallace Sims for constable.

The nomination of candidates for constables from the first was left to the executive committee.

Third District—The third district selected W. P. Hays, North Chattanooga, and John Crow, of Soddy, for magistrates and John Smith for constable.

Joe Brown has spilled the beans so far as the republican plans for capturing the office of attorney-general of Hamilton county goes.

In other words, Mr. Brown, whom the republicans have been counting on as their candidate for the office, has very positively declined to allow his name to be used in this connection.

It is not fear of a fight, that has prompted Mr. Brown in declining this honor. He places his destination on a much higher and patriotic ground. Everybody knows that Mr. Brown comes of a political fighting stock. His father, Hon. Foster V. Brown, has been in many political battles of the county, state and nation and every politician knows that when a member of that family gets into the scramble they can fight to a finish, so the idea of fear of defeat is not tenable.

Mr. Brown states his reasons for declining. He admits he has had ambition to fill the office and would under ordinary circumstances accept the nomination.

He says he believes he could be elected, but would have to curtail his private practice, in order to conform to his duties as to what an attorney-general should be.

This is one reason for declining. Then he states in his communication these other reasons:

"In addition, another important consideration is that my candidacy might have a tendency to stir up much unpleasant contention and feeling. In the two recent labor strikes Mr. Chamblie was one of the counsel and spokesmen for the unions, and the union labor voters of the county are almost unanimous in their support of Mr. Chamblie.

"The union men who know me are not personally unfriendly to me, but if I should become a candidate, associated as I am in a law firm representing, as attorneys, one of the employers of labor concerned in one of the recent strikes, a large per cent. of the union labor voters of the county will be led to believe that a fight is to be made upon organized labor and the consequence of this would be a campaign of some bitterness and considerable feeling."

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DEMOCRATS TO MEET.

Call for New Executive Committee to Organize and Name Chairman May 11.

To the Hamilton County Democratic Executive Committee:

The newly elected democratic executive committee is called to meet in the county courtroom of the Hamilton county courthouse on Saturday, May 11, at 12 o'clock noon, for the purpose of organization, and attending to any other business which may properly come before said committee. A full attendance is urged.

PHIL SHUGART, Secretary.
E. WATKINS, Chairman.

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There was a touching scene at the National cemetery Saturday morning when B. C. Charles, of Radnor, O., and his daughter, Mrs. George Freshwater, gazed upon the still form of Earl L. Charles and recognized it as a long-lost son and brother.

The body of the young man, clad in the khaki uniform of a United States soldier, was brought forth from its resting place in the city of the dead, following the receipt of permission from the proper government authorities.

Earl L. Charles, who was known in the army at Fort Oglethorpe as Charles L. Earle, died some time ago from wounds received when he was assaulted and robbed at Chickamauga park. The body was in good condition when disinterred.

It was removed to Wann's funeral residence 708 Georgia avenue, and accompanied by the father and sister, a military escort, will be sent Saturday night at 10:30 to Radnor, O., for burial.

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